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Applicant: Stockwell, *et al.*
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time from March 18, 2003, up to and including May 18, 2003, to respond to the Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 18, 2002 in the above-identified application. Applicant respectfully submits that since May 18, 2002 falls on a Sunday, the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday shall be considered timely under 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, and thus respectfully submits that the filing of this response on Monday, May 19, 2003 is timely.

Please charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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Respectfully submitted,

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